

# SPRINGFIELD



# SCENE

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Tuesday, 19th October, 1982 — Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

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HELLO again. There is a famous children's song about Ten Little Indians which I am sure you are familiar with. From ten in the first verse, the Indians reduce in number to nine in the second, eight in the third etc. I could not stop thinking about that on the way back from Bristol on Saturday. I have no intention of tirading on about refereeing standards this season, but would like to make one or two observations.

The first is on a point of tactics on our part. Unfortunately, the "sendings-off" for professional fouls almost entirely involve one of the back four. In our case this means that our power in the air at the back needs to be reinforced by bringing Les Bradd back and we are thus deprived of his services as target man up front. The consequences of

this have now been seen twice, at Chesterfield and Bristol when his great ability to reach the high ball up front and hold it were lost to our attack. I can only think that in future, managers like myself will have to be making our team selection and tactical plans on the assumption that one of our defenders might walk off earlier than the rest. And this brings me to my second point which is that as the weather deteriorates and the mud gets deeper and the rain harder, we are bound to see tougher looking tackles than those carried out in sunny August. Hard, tough tackling in heavy conditions has been a feature of the game in this country since it started and I am sure that many of the heroes who have played at Springfield Park this century have been respected for that aspect of their game. I can only hope that referees realise this and do not confuse such typical play with last ditch rugby tackles which we all consider to be what is called a professional foul. I will not comment on the sendings-off of Alex Cribble and myself last Saturday. Suffice to say that I was amazed when the Bristol player was dismissed. On a lighter note, you will be pleased to hear that Graham Barrow has his plaster removed later this week and we should be seeing him back in action soon.

And finally, a welcome to Portsmouth for tonight's game which is bound to be a tough one for both sides. Let us hope that after it, the only incidents we have seen to talk about will be goals.

Best wishes,

Larry Lloyd.

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# THIRD DIVISION

## *Round Up*

by Harold Ashurst

WREXHAM, who recently put their entire first team squad up for sale, may have a buyer for their most valuable asset.

Rotherham boss Emlyn Hughes has offered £25,000 plus midfielder Mark Rhodes for the £50,000 rated Welsh defender Joey Jones.

If Hughes does land Jones it will mean renewing the partnership that brought Liverpool their first European Cup triumph back in 1977 when they both played in the victorious team.

Wrexham boss Bobby Roberts was reported to be very interested in the deal.

Still on money, Reading, Latics next opponents, still have to sort out who is going to buy the majority shareholding at the club.

One of the interested parties is rock star Ian Gillan who was due for a meeting with the present chairman last week, but it was called off.

On the playing side, Reading continue to struggle and have won only one of their last six games.

Doncaster too have had the wind taken out of their sails following those two spectacular scorelines last month.

They have now lost five of their last six matches and are currently bottom of the League.

Manager Billy Bremner, a fighter in his playing days with Leeds, will no doubt have something up his sleeve to get his young side away from trouble.

Tonight's opponents, Portsmouth have been slowed up after their rapid start to the season. They now occupy a midtable position after just one victory in six games prior to the weekend, but they have had trouble with injuries, and big close season signing Alan Biley was absent at one stage through illness.

Sheffield United bounced back to form last week after a month of mediocrity when they drew 3-3 with Division Two side Grimsby in the delayed Milk Cup tie.

United could even have done better, they let slip a 2-0 half time lead and in the end were a little lucky to hang on, after having Bob Atkins sent off.

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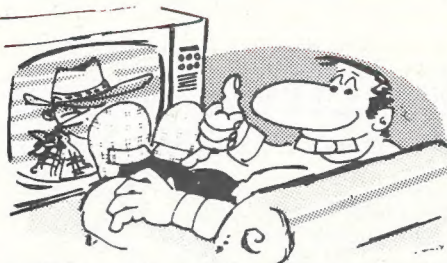
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Wednesday, 3rd November, 1982

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Kick-off 7.30 p.m.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

Saturday, 6th November, 1982

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**ON  
FILE**

IN THE last programme I got a little shirty with those members of the press who keep harping on about the falling gates at football matches. Happily, at least six people read "On File" and agreed with what I said (including some of the press-lads). Is this column to become a campaigning one, I wonder? Shall I start writing articles on politics, religion or perhaps economics? No, I think I'll keep it simple, but I just want to make one more foray into controversy and add my two-penn'orth on the subject of televised football.

My first point is in response to those clubs who are calling for a Super League so that, amongst other things, they could share the £2 million given to the League by the T.V. Companies amongst themselves. Liverpool are always on the T.V., claim Liverpool, so they should get the money for it. But it is just because Liverpool, United, and Spurs are always on the T.V. that the smaller clubs need the T.V. — as compensation.

Whilst soccer fans in Crewe and Rochdale (and Wigan!) can sit at home and watch the likes of Kenny Dalglish and Bryan Robson perform, what incentive have they to go and stand in the cold and watch their local sides. All clubs receive £25,000 per year from T.V. revenue. I would suggest that if the people in Wigan who support football but watch it on T.V. were unable to see it unless they came to Springfield Park or to one of the big clubs in the area, we would take more than £25,000 per year extra through the turnstiles — that works out at merely 600

more adults per match. So I do not think that the Super Clubs have any right to talk about grabbing the £2 million for themselves, unless they are being completely selfish. And I think, perhaps, they are being.

Still, T.V. soccer is here to stay and I don't suppose we can ever ban it. But perhaps what annoys me most about it is that it permits people who never go to live football to sit and pontificate about the sport when they do not in fact, ever see it in its true light. Edited highlights and replays, and analysis of goals, fouls and clever moves are not football, and people who sit in the pub on a Sunday night and hold court on the weekends games they have seen on T.V. are talking about something else. And I would like to say to Jimmy Hill and his mates, how dare you steal our national sport! It is a game which involves 22 lads giving their all for ninety minutes, usually in wet and muddy conditions and watched by ordinary folk who, although they might be cold are at least getting some fresh air. How dare you steal it and make it more and more like the athletic equivalent of Blankety-Blank, in which you can tell the rest of us, using slow motion, freeze frame and the like, what it's all about and what features of the game we should notice and watch out for. You go on and on until the game resembles a jig-saw puzzle with half the bits missing or in the wrong place. Kindly leave it alone.

And to the rest of you, have a nice day.

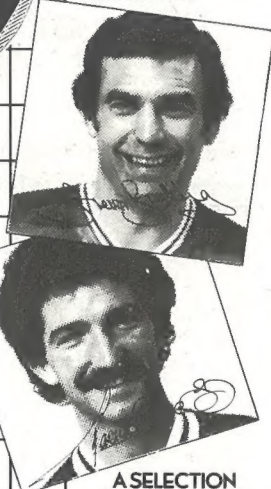
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# COMMERCIAL COLUMN

## THINK FOUR!!

SINCE my arrival at Springfield Park a number of people have been interested to know a little about my past history — football only of course!!

For those interested I will give a brief outline of my most recent activities.

Three seasons ago I was asked to form a youth policy at non-league outfit Marine. Officially I was Youth Development Officer, but as the youth was completely self supporting, I was very much involved on the Commercial side. Selling lottery tickets, advertising space and organising various fund-raising activities.

The team itself was reasonably successful, reaching two open-age semi-finals in their first season, winning the Liverpool County F.A. Youth Cup the following season and gaining promotion to the first division of their local league last season.

Our most successful player was Mark Kearney, a left-back who graduated into Marine's Northern Premier League team and was transferred to Everton last season for a fee of £10,000.

However, enough about the past, now about the future.

I have been rather disappointed in the response to recent appeals for Lottery Agents.

I cannot stress too strongly how imperative it is to increase our lottery sales immediately. If supporters want to see good quality players on the field and Wigan progress, we not only need your vocal support, but financial support as well.

One supporter came into my office last week and was explaining to me that he did not have the time or the contacts to sell lottery tickets but did purchase four lottery tickets on every match day.

I was quick to point out that if every supporter had the same idea we would sell approximately 20,000 tickets which would bring in £5,000, ten times more than our present sales at the ground.

So when you buy lottery tickets on a match day try and remember "Think Four".

I realise that many of our supporters purchase more than four and I trust they will continue to support us in this way.

I also realise that many supporters, by the time they have travelled to the ground, some at great expense, paid admission to the match, purchased a programme, may feel they can only afford one lottery ticket. To these supporters we also say thank you.

However, if you have had a win on the horses on a particular Saturday or are a little bit more flush than usual. DON'T FORGET "THINK FOUR".

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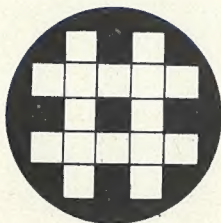
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# PUZZLE PAGE



## ON THE BALL No. 8

Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go

**Chesterfield's nickname; Red-shirted country; Keegan's usual number; One of the Clarks.**

## CLUB CLUE No. 8

Solve this cryptic club to identify a famous foreign club:

**Troop about to find the Doc's old club.**

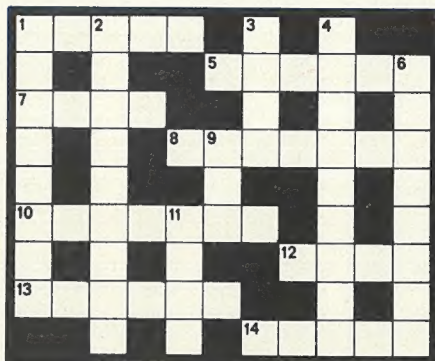
## MIXED DOUBLES No. 8

Re-order the letters in each of the words **WHITE** and **YEARS** to find the names of two men called Peter.

## QUICK QUIZ No. 8

- Who won the European Cup in the first final in which no Iberian team participated?
- Gillespie Road Underground station was renamed in the 1930s — what it is called now?
- Who missed penalties in the West Germany v. France World Cup semi-final shoot-off?
- In which year did England first play Wales in a full international at Wembley?
- Which famous English ground has three successive L's in its name?

**Answers on page 12.**



## SOCCER NINETY-NINER

No. 8 (compiled by David Peck)

### ACROSS

- The first name of a man who appeared in all of Northern Ireland's World Cup finals matches (5)
- Scotland's World Cup Willie (6)
- Lincoln City's nickname ... before the touch of colour was added (4)
- When England beat Czechoslovakia in Bilbao, Barmos was credited with it ... though Mariner made a claim on it (3,4)
- A 'country' player associated with West Ham for over a decade ... (7)
- ... the first name of a 'county' clubmate for the latter half of that time (4)
- Striker who spent the first half of the 1970s with Sheffield Wednesday then passed a couple of years with each of Hull, Lincoln and Stockport (6)
- Fouls (5)

### DOWN

- They help the bloody player keep playing! (8)
- High-scoring Villa winger who made his debut for Northern Ireland in 1954 ... and scored in the first minute (9)
- The creature in Chelsea's crest (4)
- He played a significant part in the 1982 World Cup final ... though he neither started nor finished the match! (9)
- Big defender who began with Norwich and had spent six years with Brighton when he switched to Swindon in 1980 (8)
- Malcolm Macdonald wrote a book called "----!" (3)
- McLeish, club and country team-mate of 5 across (4).





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# THE LOCAL VIEW

BY GEOFF KEMP



I overheard a rather strange team talk the other day, in which the team manager's final words to his players were something like: "Remember, if you score you'll get a big kiss from their goalkeeper!"

I had better quickly explain that the exhortation was not quite as strange as it seems, since the opposition in question were one of the few, if not the only, female teams in the Wigan area.

It all began at a young people's disco in Garswood when Colin Jones, who runs the Garswood Juniors Under-Fourteens side, was approached by a number of local soccer-mad girls and asked to help them form a team.

He agreed, and on Tuesday night of last week the newly-formed team lined up on a windswept and rainy Garswood playing field for their inaugural match against the Garswood Juniors Under-Elevens.

Said Colin: "The game was all right once the girls learnt how to kick the ball!"

But he added: "I am very pleased with them — I never expected them to be so enthusiastic. They have worked very hard and they organised their own

training sessions at first."

All the girls in the team are thirteen or fourteen years old, and Colin is now on the look-out for other girls' teams in the district who the Garswood young ladies can play. Or alternatively he hopes that the formation of his team will prompt similar experiments elsewhere.

Anyone who can help should contact Colin on 720278 — and that is the number to ring as well if any local boys want to play in his Under-Fourteens lads' team.

Oh, and by the way — the girls lost in their first game, after battling hard, by five goals to three, but I'm not yet sure whether all the kisses were delivered!

Meanwhile . . . I've had another plea for help from a local manager. This time it is Patrick Coleman, who runs a team in Platt Bridge which is helping to give local lads something to do instead of just hanging around. But he could do with more players and more help off the field as well. One major problem is that the team have been given the use of a mini-bus to transport them to away games — but unfortunately Patrick cannot drive and so the Platt Bridge boys have to use public transport at the moment. Anyone who can help out should contact Patrick at 21 Raeburn Walk, Platt Bridge.

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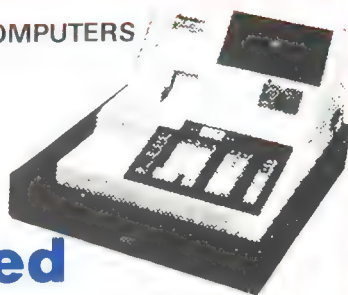
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### SOLUTIONS TO PUZZLE PAGE

SOCCER NINETY-NINER No. 8. Across: 1. Sammy (McIlroy) 5.  
Miller 7. Imps 8. own goal 10. Holland 12. Alan (Devonshire) 13.  
Sunley 14. trips. Down: 1. stitches 2. McParland 3. lion 4.  
Altobelli 6. Rollings 9. Win 11. Alex. ON THE BALL No. 8 —  
Blues; Wales; seven; Allan. CLUB CLUE No. 8 — Porto (anag.).  
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Alex Cribley keeps up the pressure on the Southend goal. Photo by C.J. Higgins.

# What the papers say...

## The Sunday People Three off! Lloyd anger

**Bristol Rovers 4 Wigan Athletic 0**  
Three players sent off and three others booked in this whistle-happy match.

First-year referee Keith Cooper, making no allowance for the swirling rain, departed to the jeers of a slow-handclapping crowd.

Wigan player-manager Larry Lloyd was one of those sent off. He just made it to the touchline before the final whistle.

Lloyd had been booked a second time for the kind of determined tackle which took him to the top with Liverpool, Forest and, of course, England. He couldn't believe it—and angrily threw the ball away.

A still angry Lloyd said later: "There was no way that referee was justified in sending three of us off. The League should seriously consider the standard of referees."

"I'd better not say any more—otherwise there will be more trouble". Lloyd had seen his defender Cribley sent off in the first half and Rovers' Slatter in the second.

One thing the referee proved — it was dangerous to be fouled.

It happened to Rovers' Stephens—that was Lloyd's first booking—and a minute later Stephens was booked for a tackle on Cribley a minute before the Wigan man was sent off. Substitute Graham Withey unlocked this rainy match with his first kick. Stephens, the man he had replaced, still had not reached the tunnel as home skipper Williams laid a perfect pass into Withey's path.

Withey, a £5,000 buy from Bath City, struck this goal well and came back later to claim another.

Wigan's recent run was wrecked as Randall and George Williams completed their destruction—the

four goals coming in a 20-minute spell.

### FORM REPORT

Tunks 7, McMahon 6, Cribley 6, \*LLOYD 8, Weston 6, Glenn 6, O'Keefe 7, Langley 7, Gemmill 7, Bradd 5, Houghton 7. Ref. K. Cooper (Pontypridd) 4.

## The Sunday Mirror

A dozen members of the Bristol-based Lloyd family turned up to watch big brother Larry lead his side to disaster. For this was no return of the prodigal son, but a most unhappy home coming for the Wigan player-manager.

His side were not only well beaten but he was one of three players to get their marching orders as Welsh referee Keith Cooper pulled out his notebook more often than a traffic warden.

Wigan mid-field man Alex Cribley was first to go in the 39th minute after a crude tackle on winger Mike Barratt. Lloyd went off in the last minute after collecting his second booking. "It was sickening, said the former England centre back, "Because this was in no way a dirty game and I don't think any of us should have been sent off. We came here determined to play football — and I would suggest that the Football League should seriously consider the standard of their referees".

In between the two Wigan dismissals, Rovers full-back Neil Slatter was also sent off for a professional foul on Peter Houghton. Surprisingly, Rovers did not score until the 66th minute when Graham Withey hit the first of his two goals, Randall and Gary Williams getting the others.

## The News of the World Lloyd woe for Wigan

Three men were sent off and there were four bookings during a stormy

afternoon at rain-lashed Eastville.

A nightmare home-coming for Wigan player-manager Larry Lloyd ended with him being ordered off in injury time for his second booking. Lloyd, whose career began at Eastville, wanted his return to be a soccer showpiece between two of the Third Divisions's high-scoring teams. But heavy rain made the pitch a skating rink. Although never a dirty game, he booked four players in a nine-minute first-half spell, and then went off Wigan central defender Alex Cribley five minutes from half-time for a professional foul on Bristol winger Mike Barrett. Former Scotland star Archie Gemmill was the first player to be cautioned for dissent. The names of Rovers' strikers Paul Randall and Archie Stephens, and the Wigan boss followed — all for fouls.

Wigan's 10 men held out substitute Graham Withey until Rovers brought on in the 64th minute.

The £5,000 close season signing from non-league Bath City finally broke the deadlock when he scored his first league goal with his first touch of the ball.

And he scored again eight minutes from the end when he beat a Wigan offside trap.

Rovers' vital second goal was hit by top scorer Randall four minutes after Withey's opener and was made easy for him as Geraint Williams cashed in on a defensive mix-up between Kevin Langley and Jimmy Weston.

Rovers were also reduced to 10 men when teenage right back Neil Slatter was ordered off for tripping Peter Houghton. But Withey's second goal ended any Wigan hopes of a revival and Geraint Williams popped in the fourth five minutes from the end.

# What you say...

## Stephen Brindle, Hambrook, Bristol.

It was great to see our local lad, Larry Lloyd back at Eastville. I only wish the same could be said of the referee. I wouldn't mind, but it wasn't a dirty game, but everyone who wasn't here will think it was, because of the sendings off. Rovers were the better side overall.

## Robert O'Neil, Orrell, Nr. Wigan

Diabolical! The referee must have thought we'd all paid our money to watch him. I thought the idea of the new rules was to make the game more enjoyable. Did you hear the Bristol fans booing the ref. at the end? I don't think they thought it was very enjoyable. Man of the Match? I've got to give that to Larry Lloyd — I

suppose he should be called Man of the Eighty-Nine Minutes. Fancy sending him off with one minute to go and Bristol 4-0 up!

## Stephen Derbyshire, Worsley Mesnes, Wigan.

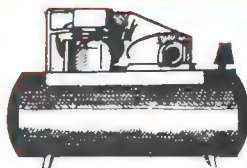
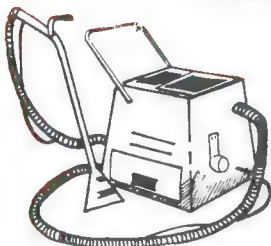
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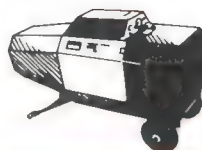
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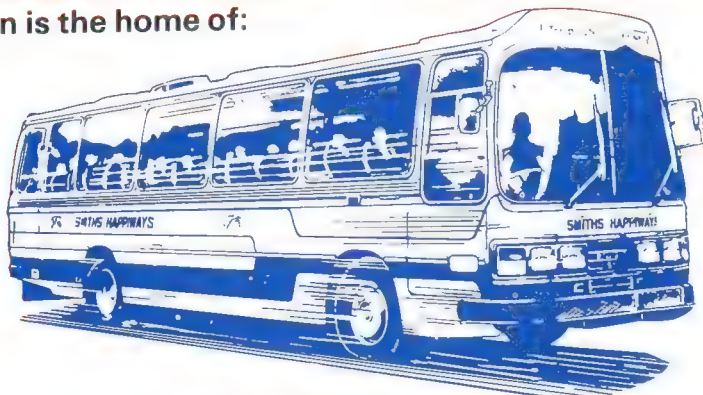


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executive Jimmy  
., was capped for  
es and Portsmouth  
Club. Their present  
Campbell is well  
rs having played for  
pell after leaving

## PERSONALITIES

**STEVEN AIZLEWOOD** (Centre Half) 5'11", 13st. 11lbs. Welshman Aizlewood, like McLaughlin, joined from Swindon three years ago at an arbitrated fee. The elder brother of Luton's Mark, he made his debut for Newport County as a 16 year old, making almost 200 League appearances before moving to Swindon. At the start of this season he had made 414 League appearances.

**BOBBY DOYLE** (Midfield) 6'0", 11st. 12lbs. An elegant moving Scot, Doyle moved to Fratton Park from Blackpool two seasons ago after making more than 100 League appearances for both Barnsley and Peterborough. Appearances for Pompey last season totalled 43, with 10 goals to his credit.

**ERNIE HOWE** (Centre back) 6'2", 13 st. A summer signing on a free transfer from Q.P.R., Ernie joined Pompey a few days after being a member of the Rangers F.A. Cup Final squad. A Londoner, previously with Crystal Palace and Fulham.

**ALAN KNIGHT** (Goalkeeper) 6'1", 13st. 11lb. A former England Youth international — sharing the position with Leeds' John Lukic — Alan made his League debut as a 16 year old and became the No. 1 goalkeeper for Pompey last season, missing only one League game through injury.

**JOHN McLAUGHLIN** (Full back) 5'8", 10st. 10lbs. A Londoner joined Portsmouth from Swindon under freedom of contract three years' ago after beginning his career with Colchester. Has played a total of 371 League appearances for his three clubs.

**BILLY RAFFERTY** (Forward) 6'0", 12st. 6lbs. Scotsman Rafferty is one of soccer's most travelled players, Pompey is his seventh club. He joined Pompey during the 1980-81 season from Newcastle. He scored 19 goals for Pompey last season with 35 league appearances to his credit.

**ALAN ROGERS** (Forward) 5'10", 10st. 7lbs. Plymouth born Rogers was a schoolboy team mate of Trevor Francis, joining Argyle while Francis moved to Birmingham and £1 million stardom. Alan joined Pompey two seasons ago and has since made over 100 League appearances and scored 14 goals for the club.

**COLIN SULLIVAN** (Defenders) 5'7", 11st. 3lbs. Former England under 23 international full-back. Colin came on a months trial early in the new year and quickly established himself in the team earning a long term contract. A native of Devon he began his career with Plymouth Argyle before moving to Norwich and on to Cardiff.

**MICK TAIT** (Midfield) 5'11", 12st. 5 lbs. Mick moved from Hull City two seasons ago, he developed into a powerful and effective midfield player after beginning his career as a striker with Oxford United. He made 34 appearances for Pompey last season and scored 10 goals.

**NEIL WEBB** (Midfield) 6'1", 11st. 12lbs. Pompey surprised everyone in the summer when they snapped up 18 year old Neil from his home town Club, Reading. An England Youth International, he was Readings top scorer last season and a number of First Division Clubs were beaten to the post when Pompey struck.

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It isn't easy to put a finger on the reasons for our success. I think they are many, certainly the monthly meetings are great fun and offer everyone a chance to win a prize or meet one of their idols, and judging by the 250 or so members at each meeting, they are enjoyed by most, if not all, who attend. My only regret is that the Supporters Club isn't slightly larger.

One reason for the success of Junior Latics must be the fact that, of the 14 meetings since we began last year, players have attended 12 of them, and of course it is them above anybody that you want to meet. But one of the main reasons for our growth must be the dedication of the coaches and managers of our football and netball sessions and in that I include the F.A. Coca-Cola Super Skills training.

Did you know that approaching 150 boys and girls are attending Junior Latics sports sessions every weekend. I repeat every weekend. Our instructors are quite simply superb. The lessons learned and pleasure given are of inestimable value to every child who attends.

### Matchday Mascot

Tonight's mascot is 11-year-old Lorraine Green who attends St. Teresa's School, Upholland.

Her hobbies are swimming and watching Wigan Athletic. She is also a member of the Girl Guides and is in the school teams for netball and rounders.

Her favourite player is Peter Houghton.

Have an enjoyable evening Lorraine.

J. Fillingham, Chairman.

Over the next few matches we will be showing you one or two familiar faces as we print some photographs we think you might like to see.

This week Carol and Marie Brookfield with our Netball Teams.



# JUNIOR LATICS



# *Half Time Gossip*

IT would appear that the section of Chelsea supporters who support the racist policies of the National Front are out to force the club to get rid of their first black player, Paul Canoville. He was booed by them when he made his first appearance as substitute against Luton and a slogan declaring that "Paul Canoville must go" was subsequently seen at the ground. Ex-Latics Vice-Chairman Ken Bates, now Chairman at Chelsea is having none of it, however, and wrote in the first programme of the season, "A word to our National Front friends . . . Paul Canoville is here to stay, and we have four promising coloured players in our ranks. If you feel you no longer wish to support us, go to the office, surrender you season tickets and your money will be refunded." Well said, Mr. Bates.

★ ★ ★

Eamon's O'Keefe's excellent performances this season have caused various clubs to regret their failure to take advantage of his services when offered in the past. When on Plymouth Argyle's books, Tony Waites was manager and let his leave with the comment, "You will always be a fringe player." Jimmy Frizzell could have

taken O'Keefe to Oldham from non-league Mossley but declared "He'll never make a footballer in a hundred years". Doesn't time fly.

★ ★ ★

After their 3-0 defeat over Chadderton in the F.A. Youth Cup, the Latics Youth side have been drawn away to Hartlepool United in the next round, date to be arranged.

★ ★ ★

Jack Farrimond, who was the first ever Secretary of Wigan Athletic in 1932 and has also been Chairman, Director and, on one occasion, player (for the Reserves v. Darwen, 1934 — quote "I've had a limp ever since") reached his 70th birthday last Saturday.

★ ★ ★

Wigan Athletic, like every other club, sends its fellow clubs in the Football League a Christmas card. Selection of an appropriate card this year is proving difficult as the motto is usually "Wishing You Every Happiness". Vice-President Jack Farrimond seems to have come up with the best idea. He proposes we send all our hard up colleagues "Get Well Soon" cards, instead.

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**Good luck** to Pompey from a Portsmouth lad being held prisoner in Manchester by a wife and a mortgage — Glenn Coleman of West Didsbury.

**All the best** to the best in the Third Division — Pompey. From a Birmingham based exile — Mike Hill of Redditch.

**Happy Birthday** to Jack Farrimond, Wigan Athletics most loyal supporter, from the Directors, players and staff at Springfield Park. Heres to the next 70, Jack!

**Good luck** to Larry, and all the players for the match at Manchester City. From Angela and Diane.

**Happy Birthday** Grandad for 21st October, also belated wishes Gran. for 9th October. Lots of love, Neil.

**Belated Happy Birthday Wishes** to Grandad. From your grandchildren, Peter Sandra, and Jimmy.

**Happy 13th Birthday** to William. Good luck to Larry and the lads. From sister Jill.

**DON'T FORGET** This is a free service for Latics supporters. All messages should be handed in, or 'phoned through to the Club by the Monday morning before Saturday, and the Friday morning before mid-week games. Please make your messages as short as possible.

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*Larry Lloyd does the twist as Southend look on. Photo by C.J. Higgins.*



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# Player Profile



## JOHN MCMAHON

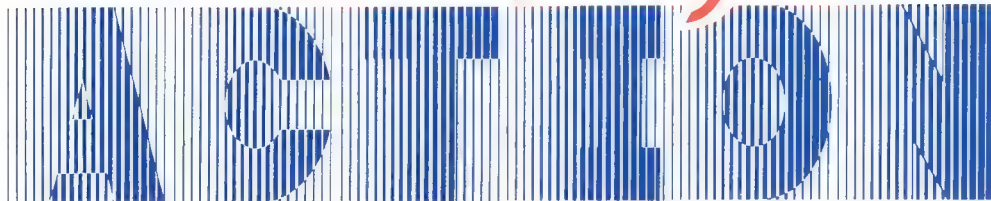
"THESE apprentices have it easy these days," says Latics full-back, John McMahon. "When I was an apprentice at Preston, John Brown and I painted the entire West Stand." Fortunately for both Preston North End and Wigan Athletic, the ex-Manchester Boys player did not spend all his time at Deepdale with a paint-brush in his hand and he developed his skills which were to give him a long and successful career in football.

Whilst playing for Manchester Boys, John was on schoolboy forms with Manchester United, but it was Preston who secured his services once he left school. He played 257 League games for Preston ("and I scored seven goals" he reminds us) and it was with them that he experienced two of the high spots of his career, and three of the low spots. The high spots were gaining promotion to Division Two in 1971 (as Champions) and 1978. The lows were falling back to Division Three in 1970 and 1974. But his biggest disappointment came when in 1974, a deal involving him going to Old Trafford in a straight swap deal with Mick

Martin fell through. "I had my bags packed and everything, but Martin didn't want to leave United and Docherty wouldn't pay the asking fee for me in a straight purchase". But he got over the disappointment and got on with the job he loves, playing football. Crewe Alexandra took over his services for a couple of seasons before Larry Lloyd pinpointed him as one of the essential ingredients for his promotion push. Once on Latics books, John was sure that promotion was bound to come. "I'd seen all the clubs in the Fourth Division before and I knew from the start that, as long as we didn't have any bad luck, we'd be amongst the top four".

And so we were, with this dapper Mancunian, who was to think hard to name an interest outside football ("I suppose you can put squash") did his fair bit to get us there. And who knows, if he and the rest of the lads keep playing as they are, he might just get a hat-trick of promotions to the Second Division under his belt.

# Central League



Tuesday, 13th October, 1982

## Oldham Athletic Reserves 4 Wigan Athletic Reserves 1

At a rain swept Boundary Park, Latics Reserves put in their poorest performance of season as they were beaten by a good Oldham side. And yet for the first quarter of an hour it looked as if Wigan were going to dominate the game. Good work by new boy Stuart Robertson in mid-field, backed up by strong defensive work by Goulding and Walsh was enabling Grant, Lowe and Phillips up front to pressurise the Oldham defence.

Oldham's first goal came against the run of play when a free kick from mid-way in the Latics half floated high into the box. Trialist goalkeeper McCann failed to get up to it and Oldham's big centre forward Jim Steele headed easily into the net. A finely struck shot by John Bowden beat an outstretched McCann a few minutes later and that, to all intents and purposes, was that. Without any really experienced player to keep their heads

up, the young reserves seemed to lose heart and went in at half time 2-0 down.

Despite showing more bite in the opening stages of the second-half, Latics went further behind before Stuart Robertson produced a fine left-foot drive from just inside the box to give Wigan some hope. This was soon dashed, however, when Oldham made it 4-1 with a well taken goal, taken on the rebound after McCann had made an excellent reflex save from a close shot. The wet and miserable Wigan lads who left the field at full-time will have to match the grit and determination of the First Team if they are to get anywhere in the Central League — but as youngsters who have shown in the past that they can do it, once this aspect of their game is put right, their skill should see them through.

### TEAM

Hatton	Goulding	McCann	Walsh	Aspinall
Butler		Glenn		Robertson
		Grant		Williams
Lowe		Sub. Phillips		

## NEXT HOME FIXTURE

Tuesday, 9th November, 1982

WIGAN ATHLETIC -v- DERBY COUNTY

KICK-OFF 7.00 p.m.

## F.A. Youth Challenge Cup, Second Qualifying Round

### Chadderton 0 Wigan Athletic 3

As Eamon O'Keefe was notching up a hat-trick against Southend at Springfield Park, fifteen miles away in North Manchester, seventeen year old apprentice David Lowe was equalling the feat against Chadderton to give the Latics Youth side it's second away win in the competition. In excellent conditions for football, and on an excellent pitch, the Wigan youngsters dominated the game, going in 2-0 leaders at half-time thanks to a good all-round performance and the sharp finishing of Lowe. In the second-half Lowe completed his hat-trick and the lads worked hard to gain a well-earned place in the next round.

### TEAM

		Morris		
	Hatton		Tarpey	
		Jameson	Walsh	
	Wilson	Schofield	Aspinall	
Phillips		Shaw		Lowe



# *Supporters Club*

## SPOTLIGHT

GOOD evening. The committee and bar staff of the Supporters' Club would like to extend a warm welcome to the officials, players and supporters of Portsmouth A.F.C. to Springfield Park tonight.

Tonight's game brings back to mind that fateful day — September 1st, 1979, when big Noel Ward broke his leg in a collision with Derek Showers. It was an injury that was to finish his career. Last year Noel was awarded a testimonial. Various functions were organised culminating in the match versus Chelsea. Although far away, we would like to thank Stuart Cooper for his efforts in Noel's year, Barrie Hyland, Dave Worswick, Susan Clough, Susan Taylor, Brian Sabin, John McDonald and Ernie Claxton, and all those who made Noel's benefit a success.

All the best Noel for the future, from all your friends at the Supporters' Club.

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Coach No. 2 Depart ground 5.45 p.m. Adults only £2.00. Tickets have been obtained for a night at Manchester City Social Club, cabaret until 11.30 p.m. Returning at approx. 11.45 p.m. There are only fourteen seats still available. Please contact Graham Pye in the Supporters' Club tonight to avoid disappointment.

### **ENTERTAINMENT IN THE CLUB THIS WEEKEND**

Saturday, 23rd October, 1982 — GEORGE LANDON

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# FACTS+FIGURES

Home fixtures in capitals.  
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Player scoring bold.  
† Player substituted.

<sup>2</sup>Figure indicates no. of goals scored by player.  
<sup>3</sup>In result column indicates opponents own goal.

DATE	FIXTURE	F	A	ATT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1982																
Aug. 28	Lincoln City	A	1-2	3,196	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Lodge	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Rogers	Butler
Aug. 30	Stockport (M.C. 1 1 leg)	A	1-1	3,418	Tunks	McMahon	Glenn	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Langley	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton	Rogers	Butler
Sept. 4	BRENTFORD	H	3-2	5,012	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Lodge	Barrow	Bradd†	Houghton	Rogers	Butler
Sept. 7	BRADFORD CITY	H	3-2	5,362	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Lodge	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton†	Rogers	Langley
Sept. 11	Cardiff C.	A	2-3	3,850	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Langley	Barrow	Bradd	Houghton†	Rogers	Butler
Sept. 14	STOCKPORT (M.C. 1 2 leg)	H	6-5	4,008	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Lodge	Langley	Bradd†	Williams	Rogers	Walsh
Sept. 18	AFC BOURNEMOUTH	H	1-2	4,866	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Cribley	Methven	Lodge	Langley	Bradd	Houghton	Butler	Rogers
Sept. 25	Chesterfield	A	0-2	2,825	Tunks	McMahon	Cribley	O'Keefe	Lloyd	Methven	Langley	Butler†	Bradd	Houghton	Gemmill	Rogers
Sept. 28	Doncaster Rovers	A	6-3	4,457	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Lloyd	Methven	Langley	Cribley	Bradd	Houghton	Gemmill	Butler
Oct. 2	PLYMOUTH A.	H	3-0	5,011	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Lloyd	Methven	Langley†	Cribley	Bradd†	Houghton	Gemmill	Glenn
Oct. 5	MANCHESTER CITY (M.C. 2 1 leg)	H	1-1*	12,194	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Lloyd	Methven	Glenn	Cribley	Bradd	Houghton	Gemmill	Langley
Oct. 9	SOUTHEND U.	H	4-0	4,704	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe†	Lloyd	Langley	Glenn	Cribley	Bradd	Houghton	Gemmill	Butler
Oct. 16	Bristol R.	A	0-4	4,439	Tunks	McMahon	Weston	O'Keefe	Lloyd	Langley	Glenn	Cribley	Bradd	Houghton	Gemmill	Butler
Oct. 19	PORTSMOUTH	H														
Oct. 23	Reading	A														
Oct. 27	Manchester City (M.C. 2 2nd leg)	A														
Oct. 30	NEWPORT C.	H														
Nov. 3	Exeter City	A														
Nov. 6	Orient	A														
Nov. 13	MILLWALL	H														
Nov. 20	(F.A. Cup 1st Round)															
Nov. 27	Gillingham	A														
Dec. 4	SHEFFIELD U.	H														
Dec. 11	(F.A. Cup 2nd Round)															
Dec. 18	OXFORD UNITED	H														
Dec. 27	Wrexham	A														
Dec. 29	WALSALL	H														

\* Goal Scorer — Caton (own goal)



# THIRD DIVISION LEAGUE TABLE

as at Sunday, 17th October, 1982.

	Home					Away					Pts	
	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lincoln City	10	5	0	0	16	2	3	0	2	5	4	24
Oxford United	10	3	2	0	12	5	3	0	2	6	6	20
Newport County	10	4	1	0	8	3	2	1	2	9	8	20
Cardiff City	10	4	0	1	9	4	2	1	2	9	10	19
Southend United	10	5	0	0	15	4	1	0	4	4	10	18
Bristol Rovers	10	4	0	1	13	4	1	2	2	7	9	17
Bradford City	10	4	1	0	13	5	1	1	3	5	11	17
Brentford	10	4	1	0	16	6	0	3	2	11	13	16
Gillingham	10	4	0	1	7	2	1	1	3	5	6	16
AFC Bournemouth	10	3	1	1	8	3	2	0	3	4	6	16
Portsmouth	10	3	0	2	10	5	1	3	1	6	7	15
<b>WIGAN ATHLETIC</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
Sheffield United	10	4	0	1	9	4	0	2	3	1	9	14
Exeter City	10	2	2	1	12	8	1	1	3	4	12	12
Huddersfield Town	10	2	3	0	12	4	0	2	3	2	8	11
Chesterfield	10	2	1	2	7	4	1	1	3	5	9	11
Preston North End	10	2	2	1	9	6	1	0	4	7	13	11
Millwall	10	3	1	1	8	6	0	1	4	4	9	11
Wrexham	10	2	1	2	4	4	1	0	4	2	11	10
Plymouth Argyle	10	3	0	2	5	6	0	1	4	5	15	10
Orient	10	2	1	2	9	9	1	0	4	2	14	10
Walsall	10	2	1	2	5	7	0	2	3	5	13	9
Doncaster	10	2	2	1	20	16	0	0	5	3	14	8
Reading	10	2	2	1	9	6	0	0	5	9	19	8

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# Comments from the Chair

GOOD evening and a very warm welcome to our visitors tonight, Portsmouth F.C., and especially to my old friend Bobby Campbell, who I remember well from my days as a non-league Manager at Altrincham. As an ex-Latics player, I am sure you will afford him a suitable welcome back to Springfield Park.

You may have read my comments about our game at Bristol City. I left the Eastville ground completely bewildered and a little annoyed to say the least. As League Chairmen we have got to ask the League to have a closer look at the situation as it stands. I'm all for punishing professional fouls when a goal is imminent, but common sense has got to be used by referees, and we are approaching a situation where players can be sent off for any foul committed between the half-way line and the goal. Perhaps the fact that the Bristol crowd saw their team win 4-0 and still booed the referee as he left the field sums up the whole thing.

On the matter of our efforts to sign Archie Gemmill, I would like to start off by saying that Archie is worth every penny that he is asking for. But it would be grossly irresponsible of me as



Chairman of this club to try and meet his terms with our financial status as it is at the moment. This club has made heavy losses in the last two years and its very survival depends on the Directors exercising strict financial common sense. We cannot, therefore, afford to sign Archie unless we can find the funds required from alternative sources. Already, the people of Wigan have responded to our call for help and if that response is great enough we will be in with a chance. But I must repeat that I and my fellow Directors cannot risk the very solvency of this club in this matter, and I am convinced that you, the supporters would not thank us in the future if a failure on our part to cut our cloth accordingly caused the Latics to line up with the Hull City's and Bristol City's of this world as the lame ducks in the League.

Having said all that, let us worry about it at ten-past-nine.

Enjoy the game,

*Freddie Pye*

Freddie Pye, Chairman.



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# TEAM CHECK

**"HERE NEXT"**  
Saturday, 30th October, 1982.  
Kick-off 3.00 p.m.  
WIGAN ATHLETIC v. NEWPORT COUNTY  
Football League Division Three



**WIGAN  
ATHLETIC**  
(Royal Blue & White Stripe)

- 1 Roy Tunks
- 2 John McMahon
- 3 Jimmy Weston
- 4 Eamon O'Keefe
- 5 Larry Lloyd
- 6 Colin Methven
- 7 David Glenn
- 8 Alex Cribley
- 9 Les Bradd
- 10 Peter Houghton
- 11 Archie Gemmill
- 12 Kevin Langley

## OFFICIALS

Referee:  
**MR. C. L. NEWSOME**  
(Benthall, Broseley, Shropshire)

Started refereeing whilst in the Army then progressed through local Shropshire Leagues, Midland Intermediate and Centre Leagues to the Football League. Refereed the 1975 England v. Wales Youth International, and lined the France v. Spain International — in Paris — in 1971. Officiated in Italy for the 1972 Anglo-Italian competition and also at the Bayern Munich v. Anderlecht European Super Cup in 1976, and also England v. Wales Youth International.

He is an industrial marketing manager with Telford Development Corporation, and his interests are gardening, home decorating, cooking, antiques and most sports — but especially squash.

Linesmen:

(Red Flag)  
Mr. J. Callaghan  
Liverpool

(Yellow Flag)  
Mr. D. M. Charnley  
Manchester

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**PORTSMOUTH**  
(All Red)

- 1 Alan Knight
- 2 John McLaughlin
- 3 Colin Sullivan
- 4 Bobby Boyle
- 5 Ernie Howe
- 6 Steve Aizlewood
- 7 Neil Webb
- 8 Mick Tait
- 9 Billy Rafferty
- 10 Alan Biley
- 11 Alan Rogers
- 12 To be announced.